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Johnson ) Examiner: To be assigned  
Serial No. 10/623,791 )  
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**STATUS INQUIRY**

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Sir:

The Applicant respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent Office inform the undersigned as to the status of the above-captioned patent application. No substantive action from the PTO has been received concerning the present application since a Notice of Publication received on April 8, 2004. Applicant has since filed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on October 7, 2004.

The PAIR system indicates that the case has been docketed to and Examiner in GAU. Applicant requests information as to the status of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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